

Elect Delegates To Labor and the War Conference in Berkeley, June 6-7

San Francisco, California. (CFLNL)—Labor and the War Conference, which has been called for June 6th and 7th in Wheeler Auditorium at the University of California, is being sponsored by the California State Federation of Labor together with other labor organizations, the Labor Division of the War Production Board, the Consumer Division

of OPA, the War Department, the Office of Civilian Defense and the University of California. Purpose of the conference is to provide a two-way channel between the government and labor to consider and dispose expeditiously all questions, suggestions and problems affecting our war effort.

Letters enclosing credential blanks have been sent out by the Federation to all unions from Fresno north, calling upon them to send delegates to this important conference. Speakers of national prominence associated with labor, government and education will address the confab.

Simultaneous with the conference up north another will be held at the University of California at Los Angeles.

Presiding officers for the sessions, which will start at 1 p.m., on June 6, will be various faculty members from the University. The first meeting will be opened by Edward D. Vandeleur, secretary of the California State Federation of Labor. Speakers who have already accepted are Wendell Lund, Labor Production Division, WPB; Frank Fenton, Director of Or-

ganization, AFL; James Carey, Secretary-Treasurer, CIO; Andrew Biemiller, Labor Press, Labor Division, WPB; John Edelman, Consumer Division, OPA; Jonathan Daniels, OGD; Paul Porter, Ship Stabilization Committee, and Colonel A. Robert Ginsburgh, General Staff Corps representing the Under-Secretary of War. A representative from the Treasury Department and possibly someone from the Military Branch of the WPB are expected to fill out the list of scheduled speakers.

Realizing the importance of this conference, the Federation urges all of the unions to be sure to elect as many delegates as they can to help make this conference the huge success which it deserves. If your union has not elected delegates as yet, be sure you do so at your very next meeting.



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LABOR NEWS

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WHOLE NUMBER 274

WE HELP THE CARPENTERS

(Ladies Auxiliary 373)
Salinas, California. The Ladies Auxiliary No. 373 of the Carpenters Union 925, held their regular business meeting on May 13. Routine business was disposed of. Mrs. Mabel Eisman took the obligation and was welcomed by many friends among our members. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Marian George and Mrs. Doris Baldwin.

Work on the banner for the Carpenters 925 is progressing very rapidly. It will soon be completed.

Mrs. Ruth Koch is just a housewife now. She isn't working any more. We all expect a visit from Ruth in the afternoon. She reports she is enjoying the late morning sleeping and is becoming almost lazy.

A silver tea was to be held on Wednesday with Mrs. Mary McDale and Mrs. Grace Logue as hostesses. The tea will honor Mrs. Bessie Gunn, who has a wedding anniversary this month.

—DOROTHY J. MCANANEY.

Barbers Drop Plan for Dance

Salinas, California. Barbers' Union 827 has dropped all plans for a benefit dance to raise funds for the sick and death benefit of the local.

The dance was cancelled because no halls are available at present, the army being used exclusively for service men's affairs at present, Secretary Kenyon said.

CHINESE AID 'BOMB' FUND; DRIVE TO END

Salinas, California. The Chinese organization of Sooy Sing, the Chinese equivalent to the chamber of commerce, donated \$15.00 to the Salinas labor "Buy a Bomb for a Bomber" fund last week.

Proceeds of the Veterans of Foreign Wars auxiliary party last Monday were to be added to the fund this week.

A number of the cans placed in various locations around town are being traced and, when turned in, each is being found comfortably full of small coins.

With the Bomb fund just a few dollars short of \$400, the labor council is taking steps now to terminate the campaign finally. Donations wishing to make donations should do so at once.

'BUY A BOMB' DONATIONS

Donations to date to the "Buy a Bomb for a Bomber" fund are as follows:
Central Labor Council \$25.00
Carpenters 925 10.00
Laborers 272 10.00
Culinary Alliance 467 5.00
Painters 1104 5.00
Barbers 827 2.50
Labor News 1.00
Loyal Order of Moose 5.00
Chinese Organizations 15.00
Individuals, (reported) 15.00
Members, 925 (reported) 88.50
Members, 272 (reported) 3.00
Members, Typos (reported) 1.00
Members, Painters (reported) 1.00
C. M. Smith, Teamsters 1.00
Picked up in cans 183.71
Total \$381.71
(Total based on incomplete returns and is not detailed or necessarily accurate).

Low Salaried City Workers Forgotten in Salinas Raises

Salinas, California.

Pity the poor fellow who doesn't head a city department in Salinas, but who must work at low salary for his living!

Salinas city council voted 4 to 1 last week to give good-sized raises to department heads and high officials but split and defeated an issue to grant substantial boosts to the lower-paid workers.

Councilman E. G. Thomas, an attorney, was the lone supporter of high raises to those in lower brackets, declaring:

"I think the increases are a mistake in some respects because there will be many businessmen who will not make as much money as the city department heads, but they will have to stand the gaff for the increase. I favor increasing the lower ranks where they need more money because of increased living costs, but am opposed to the increase for department heads at this time.

The increases brought wages of some officials to the following figures: City Manager Barlogio, \$380 a month; Police Chief La Pierre, \$325; Fire Chief von Soosten, \$300; City Engineer Davies, \$375, and City Treasurer McCollum, \$220. Police Judge Colby and City Attorney Scott didn't figure in the raises.

While the boosts in pay probably are well deserved, some labor groups have already expressed opinion that lower-salaried workers should have received big raises because rising living costs hit low-income groups most. Many of the low-income workers for the city are union members.

In Union Circles

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It's reported that the CIO is organizing lettuce workers here, that no AFL organization was active at all.

Bros. Jess Hinkley and W. G. Kenyon were named by the labor council to attend last Sunday's Oakland meeting on Hot Cargo and Olson re-election.

The labor council will send delegates to the Labor conference at Berkeley June 6 and 7. Delegates will be picked at this week's council meeting.

Don McAnaney, CLU president, won the attendance award last week.

"Tis said that Johnny Agrillo is an excellent pianist—maybe some labor council entertainment coming up, huh?

Just as had been reported last week—the union "bug" of the sign painter was placed on the new "Labor Temple" sign before the Salinas labor headquarters last week. With the Temple newly repainted and with the new sign, it looks presentable again—outside.

Johnny Agrillo is new labor council delegate from Barbers 827.

Ed Pilliar of Carpenters 925 is visiting relatives at Taft.

Edwards Granted Leave From Duties As CLU Secretary

Monterey, California.

Wayne Edwards, secretary of the Monterey Peninsula Central Labor Council, was granted his annual vacation from the council post at the meeting last week.

Ralph Lester, president of the Barbers' Union, will serve as secretary pro tem for Edwards.

Edwards, a teacher, has taken tours during summers of former years. He did not say where he would spend this winter.

Labor Pledges Bond Aid!



J. W. Buzzell, (left) secretary-treasurer of the Los Angeles Central Labor Council and M. Penn Phillips, (right) Southern California vice chairman of the War Bond Campaign, discuss AFL plans to co-ordinate all of their activities with the gigantic house-to-house pledge campaign which is being sponsored by the war savings staff of the United States Treasury Department. The canvass began Monday, May 25.

ALONG CANNERY ROW

(AFL Fish Cannery Workers)

Although half of the roof of Hovden's plant has been removed because of an alteration job, the cannery still is packing fish.

Custom House plant has about half finished the installation of their new boiler. The boys say it really is a honey.

Carmel plant is expecting a new boiler top but so far all they have received is a priority number.

May 17 was the "umptysixth" birthday of our executive board member—Cora Castro.

Special Fish Council meeting at the San Carlos Hotel Saturday, May 23, to discuss negotiations and a "program for victory."

The can is small this week—its news instincts were dimmed by the party given for Neva Davis as a "goodbye" to the FCWU recording secretary who has taken a much greater job. The party was swell, but the day after—wheew!

—THE CAN OPENER.

Salinas Carpenter Secretary Given Increase in Pay

Salinas, California.

At the last meeting of Carpenters' Union 925, it was voted to disburse with the services of the assistant business agent for the time being and to increase the salary of the financial secretary.

The changes were necessitated by lack of work just present with jobs closing down and other defense work running more and more on a routine basis.

Eleven new members were initiated at the union's meeting and five clearances were read. Another "dual ceremony" initiation was necessary inasmuch as many of the initiates were working and had to leave the jobs to report for the oath.

New Cannery For Monterey

Monterey, California.

The Sal Ferrante Cannery, forced out of Hueneme when the government took over the area, has announced it will establish new location on Haldon estate property on Monterey's famed Cannery Row.

The new plant is being built, the government having given all possible assistance to secure materials and land. When completed the new plant will have a crew of about 200 persons and will pack oval and tall tins.

At Hueneme the San Ferrante firm was fully union and is expected to continue its good union relations in Monterey.

IMPORTANT MEET CALLED BY B. & C. T. C. THURS. NIGHT

Monterey, California.

To the Building and Construction Trades Crafts of Monterey Area. Greetings:

The Building and Construction Trades Crafts of Monterey will hold an open meeting Thursday, May 28, 1942, in Carpenters' Hall, 701 Hawthorne street, Monterey, at 8:00 p. m., where several things of importance will be discussed.

The Council would like to have a good representation from each local union.

At 9:00 p. m. a special order of business will be called to decide the amount of per capita that will be paid to maintain the Building and Construction Trades Council of Monterey County.

Another subject to be considered will be the placing of a representative in the Salinas district to protect the interests of local unions affiliated with the Building and Central Trades Crafts of Monterey County, California.

The discussions will be open to those present but the vote will be by roll call of delegates.

Fraternally,

L. T. LONG,
Rec. Sec. B. & C. T. C. of Monterey County, Calif.

In Union Circles

MONTEREY

Henry Diaz, building trades' president, has been having too many dates of late—too many dates with his dentist. It seems that Hank is having tooth trouble and wants to get to the root of it (if we may pun).

Dale Ward says there are many jobs coming up here. He reported also that much of the work coming up cannot be described as yet.

By the way, if you ever want some new jokes for your collection, or if you want to get one to tell your mother-in-law so she'll move, just contact Dale Ward—his stock is never-ending.

Here's a patriotic move: The Monterey Cleaners and Dyers Association was quoted as announcing it would clean any American Flag free so that it might look its best on Decoration Day (this Saturday).

Carpenters Union 1323 has boosted dues for members to \$2.50 per month.

Steve Smario, business agent of Local 483, was named official labor council delegate to the Building Trades Council special meeting on Thursday night of this week.

Culinary Wins Salinas Pact; Gains Listed

Salinas, California

Culinary Alliance 467 of Salinas finally settled its difficulties with employers over wages and hours, but not until lengthy negotiations had almost broken down and resulted in strike action.

A federal conciliator, Frank Weing, and an international union representative, Walter Cowan, were called in to assist in the negotiations and arbitrations. The union had petitioned Governor Olson for help when the deadlock was established and a strike had been voted by the union membership.

Watsonville and Monterey locals, which previously had said they would negotiate for the same wage scale for the entire area, had signed for lower wages than were asked in Salinas. This gave Salinas employers some justification in demands that the Salinas scale be the same as in Monterey or Watsonville. However, it was shown that Salinas business is greater and work heavier, and the slightly higher scale was finally won.

Under the agreement finally signed the union won a 15 per cent wage increase on an average, about on a par with the increase in living of the past year. The employers' first offer had been only about 8 per cent increase.

Labor council officials and others assisted in the negotiations and were warmly thanked by Cowan and Business Agent Dorothy Johns of the local union for assistance.

Hundreds of workers had been affected by the negotiations and had voted to strike if necessary to gain some sort of increase on a par with the rise in living costs.

NEW SCALE

The new daily scale, as finally agreed to by both sides with the federal conciliator assisting in arguments, is as follows:

	Per cent increase	Old scale	New scale
Dinner cooks	18	\$5.50	\$6.50
Waitresses and waiters	16	3.00	3.50
Combination workers	20	3.75	4.50
Chefs	14	6.50	7.50
Dishwashers	8	3.00	3.25

The waitress scale in Monterey as established by new contract negotiations was \$3.25 per day, in Watsonville, \$3.00 per day.

Salinas won a union shop clause, which means that all workers must be union members.

Laborers End Talks With AGC; Many Gains Won

Santa Cruz, California

Long and arduous negotiations between Laborers Unions and Northern California with the Associated General Contractors came to an end last week as a new contract was signed with the AGC.

Orin T. Howard, secretary-business agent of Laborers Union 283 of Santa Cruz County, reported that the minimum scale for laborers here would be 87 1/2 cents per hour (\$7.00 per day).

Howard has been attending negotiation meetings for many weeks. He signed the agreement for Local 283 and won jurisdiction for Northern Monterey County and San Benito County, as well as for Santa Cruz County, he reported.

Under the new agreement, wage increases will be retroactive to May 1 in some cases. A minimum of \$6.50 per day was set for the entire state—in some cases laborers had received as little as 30 to 50 cents an hour formerly.

The contract, as signed, calls for a closed shop and all contractors will get laborers through the unions henceforth.

Our democratic ideals need reinforcement and not replacement. They need expansion and not extinction. That's the issue in this war—behind all the smoke of our mistakes and the fires of conflict.

LOCAL 483 SPEAKS

(Bartenders, Hotel & Restaurant Employees No. 483)

DID YOU KNOW—

That Joe Kirby, bartender, has a new son, Robert Lewis, born at Salinas, May 4? The youngster is welcomed by four brothers. Joe will have a ball team before long.

That a certain cook walked out of the post office with a smile and said: "Look, I just bought some eggs for Japan—\$200 worth?" He then beamed proudly: "I have \$600 more besides this." Keep up the good work and we'll have the Japs on their last lap.

That there's a smiling chap with flirtatious eyes at Herman's Inn? (Look out girls! He's presto with the service and never fails to give you "Tommy's Specialty," a nice smile—it can go a long way, sister!)

That James McNally, Steve Smario and Pearl Bennett were named to attend the meeting last Sunday at Oakland in behalf of the re-election of Governor Olson?

That every good union member will be sure to register now, and vote in the August elections?

That Flammeo Ernandes (known as "blue eyes") took a much-needed vacation of a week? He's back on the job now, fit as a fiddle.

That Spring is in the air and the Moon Man has romance in his eyes? It's two girls, blonde and brunette, with perfume. Sh-h-h-h!

That bartenders, bar waiters and bar waitresses must live up to the rules and regulations of the civil and military authorities? (This is war!)

That we'll see you next week? —THE MOON MAN.

Monterey CLU Changes Setup On Per Capita

Monterey, California.

A new basis for figuring and payment of per capita fees by local unions to the Monterey Peninsula Central Labor Council was decided upon at the council's meeting last week.

Proposed constitution amendments were given second reading and scheduled for adoption at the June meeting unless protests arise.

Under the amendments a per capita tax of 3 cents per month per member shall be figured on April 1 each year, based on the monthly average for the preceding months. A minimum of \$2.00 per local and a maximum of \$25 are stipulated.

A similar change in council representation was decided also. Under the new per capita setup, when it goes into effect, unions will have from 3 to 5 delegates, depending on size, with a voting strength of from 3 to 10 votes, again dependent upon size of union represented.

Petitions Here Urging Control Or Cross-Filing

Salinas, California

Petitions made their appearance in this area last week which every union man should hunt out and sign at once.

The petitions are to abolish cross filing to compel each candidate to run only on his own party ticket.

Under the cross-filing setup, a Republican might file on the Democratic ticket as well as his own party, and assure his election at the primaries.

Under the situation proposed by the petitions, the candidate could only file on one ticket, that of his own party, and a runoff election would be necessary and proper at the general election.

REPEAL OF SALES TAX DEMANDED BY STATE FEDERATION OF LABOR

Long Beach, California.

(CFLNL).—A resolution calling for the repeal of the State Sales Tax and expressing unyielding opposition to a similar national tax, submitted by Edward D. Vandeleur, secretary of the California State Federation of Labor, was unanimously concurred in by the Executive Council of the Federation, meeting in Long Beach over the week end. Since this problem affects all of the

people and is of such tremendous importance, the Federation hereby presents the reasons for taking such a position.

In the welter of rising living costs and the staggering demands made upon every person in the United States for both voluntary and involuntary contributions to finance the war, which already involves sums so large as to be meaningless and unintelligible to most of us, the sales tax—one of the most vicious forms of indirect taxes that we have been required to pay—is assuming an increasingly threatening aspect. Briefly, these are the prospects:

On the one hand, there is grave danger of the sales tax becoming a duplicate tax—one which we shall have to pay twice, to the Federal Government as well as to the State Government. On the other hand, as priorities limit more and more the commodities available for purchase, there exists a strong possibility that the sales tax, state and probably federal as well, may have to be boosted enormously in order to provide sufficient revenue to justify its collection.

Of all the so-called "hidden" taxes, the sales tax has been the most rapacious and treacherous. It lifts tax levies into pyramids of duplicated charges. Here in California, we pay an innocent-appearing 3 per cent sales tax. Not to mention how this in practice can amount to a far larger percentage—reaching 6 cents on the dollar, for instance, when one makes six separate 15-cent purchases—the sales tax is merely a final tax. In an article's purchase price is included a long string of other taxes, imposed step by step as the article was processed from raw material to finished product on your dealer's shelf.

The indirect tax was the child of the years immediately following the last war. Emergency needs at that time called for more revenue than could be supplied through the ordinary and direct channels. It was necessary to reach the low income groups, and the indirect tax was the answer. By 1934 this tax supplied 59% of all revenues to the government; in 1938 it was approaching 70%. Upon analysis, the high cost of living has been shown to be the high cost of indirect taxes. How could it be otherwise? On the eve of the present war the tax collector was exacting pennies, nickels and dimes from the consumer at the rate of \$24,723 a minute night and day!

The depression years were responsible for the appearance in California of the state sales tax. Incomes had dwindled, property values had sagged, helpless taxpayers were in arrears, hundreds and thousands of people were jobless, shelterless and hungry. And the state government was going deeper and deeper in the red. In desperation, the sales tax was resorted to.

What good it accomplished during the lean years is hard to determine, but this much is certain: as times improved and unemployment figures shrank, its yield began to be fat.

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the California State Federation of Labor speaking for Organized Labor in this state, says: "Repeal the state sales tax, and fight against the enactment of a federal sales tax, if you want not only to keep the taxpayers alive, but co-operating enthusiastically and giving with full hearts and hands to win this war as quickly as possible!"

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LABOR ACHIEVING UNITY

The impossible has happened. Labor is presenting a united front. Men and women of labor, all over the United States, are laying aside their petty differences, that have kept them divided, weak and helpless. For once they are standing together.

Now, in the face of great danger to our country, confronted by grave threats against their rights and liberties, yes, confronted face to face with those who would destroy the independence of all workers and reduce them again to a state of slavery and vassalage, the workers of the United States and of California are taking a firm stand, not only for the defense of their country, in the hour of the common peril of all our citizens, but for the defense of their own rights and liberties as these have been developed and established under our form of government.

Here in California labor has from the very moment war was declared against the United States taken the lead. Only a few hours after the war broke at Pearl Harbor high officials of the AFL, CIO, Railroad Brotherhoods and our State Government, were holding a council of war at which it was decided to launch a movement for unity of all labor to help achieve victory. "Unity for Victory" was adopted as the slogan and from every part of the state and even throughout the nation at large the response was most marvelous.

By the voluntary action of organized labor, itself, strikes and jurisdiction disputes were suspended for the duration of the war. The AFL and CIO agreed to bury their differences in order to present a united front for victory. Only last week the executive council of the AFL decided to send an invitation to the CIO to meet with them for the purpose of reuniting the two organizations into one labor movement. In all these developments our national government has given helpful and sympathetic cooperation.

Sunday, May 24, a meeting was held in the Labor Temple at Oakland at which hitherto divided elements of labor all united in one solid front to pay tribute to Governor Olson for his remarkably good labor record and to pledge their best efforts to bring about his re-election, but the meeting was much more than a political gathering at which the men of labor of the most widely divergent views were all of one mind in regard to whom they would support for governor. It was a meeting that breathed unity to win the war. It was clear as daylight that organized workers in California, of every conceivable viewpoint, are of one mind with reference to putting forth every effort to defeat the hot cargo slave bill, which comes up for a decision of the people of California at the coming November election.

Such unity has never before existed in California in the ranks of labor. If the same spirit spreads and takes root and becomes a living, functioning reality in every labor organization of the state, no matter how big or how little it may be, and regardless of its hue, labor will be set to make history in California during 1942.

MUST START WALLOPING TO WIN

It is not how many planes, tanks and guns we manage to produce that will win the war. It is how hard we thump the enemy with these, after they are made, that will decide the issues of this war.

Why are we waiting and thus far doing practically nothing to the enemy, except to permit him to continue undisturbed his preparations and attacks, wherever he sees fit to strike? What in under the sun can we gain by waiting? The longer we wait the more we will have to fight with but the enemy will also have more and will make the clash that much more bloody, when it does take place. Far more people will be killed on both sides but it won't give either side any advantage.

Evidently our enemies realize this. They are selecting their battlefields and are precipitating the fighting where they choose to start their attacks, except in Russia, where the people's army is really striking hard blows of their own that very plainly are beginning to worry the Nazi invaders. It took the Russians over five months before they started to strike back hard enough to stop the Germans and then push them back. During those five months the Russians lost enormous numbers of soldiers and tremendous quantities of supplies. But they continued to fight incessantly and now they are not only holding their own but driving the invader backwards, everywhere, except in Crimea.

We won't win any battles, much less any war, till we start hitting the enemy so hard that he will feel it. Surely we have enough to fight with right now to start doing as much and as hard thumping as we are capable of. The sooner we get at it the sooner we will get done with the dirty mess. It is hard and well directed wallowing that wins wars. Boasting about what you and we are going to do is pure bull. All the bragging in creation would not win any war. To do that you must pummel the enemy till he has had his fill. It is about time we got going on the job that lies ahead of our boys. They know they have got to treat the enemy rough to get anywhere.

"WHAT NOW?"

By ROY G. OWENS

Hire a man. Pay him coffee and doughnuts. Pat him on the back and tell him business is bad and that is all he is worth. That will make him grateful for your handouts. Fire him as soon as possible. You know—save the doughnuts and coffee. Put your tongue in your cheek and tell him he ought to save, too. He will wonder at your chatter but he won't ask you how the—a man can save a dime out of coffee and doughnut pay. The man is your inferior—he will respect your superior me.

When you fire him the man will kick a little. But don't let that stop you. Tell him you can't afford to keep him on. He is the one who has been keeping you of course—but the dumb cluck doesn't know that. He thinks you may him—he really believes it. You didn't make the doughnuts or raise the coffee. He did. But you are the boss man so you must make your man think that you know best. The man does not have a college degree—you have. Show him your sheepskin. That will make him forget his doughnuts and coffee and he will agree with you that for the world of managers to take care of all the people all the time would "cost" too much.

The man will not be able—quite—to understand why it is that all the people in the world cannot produce enough goods and then pay those goods out to everybody so everybody can live all their lives. So then, you must start in scaring him by talking over his head—politics and inflation and promises—like a chicken in every pot in the sweet by and bye for people who submit to the evils of this life and patiently await their rewards in the next—where there will be mansions for every sinner who takes it on the chin here.

It will keep you busy pacifying the people that way all the time—especially when you have to pay some of them coffee and doughnuts for not producing coffee and doughnuts. But think of the glory of living on the hill and looking out across your valley of servants where the doughnut fellows camp—think of the glory of having all of them look up to you with outstretched hands.

VOTE
Ham 'n' Eggs—Yes
Hot Cargo—No

Just now we have an emergency on our hands. We'll have to hire a lot of men. We'll have to pay out a lot of doughnuts and coffee to produce a lot of doughnuts and coffee—but we'll get this job done—with their work work and their fight we'll win the war of course—that will end the emergency—then we can start again paying a few of them to produce the things we want—and a few more of them for not raising so many doughnuts and coffee—the rest we can fire like we did before.

What about pensioning the old ones and the ones we fire? Nonsense fellow, we cannot allow that. We've got to stop that crowd of Ham and Eggs up-starts. You must not let them get it across to the people that out of the earth can be grown enough wheat and enough coffee so that everybody can have doughnuts and coffee regular. We have got to keep people believing that things cost money and that there isn't enough to feed and clothe and house everybody. We've got to keep them believing that money cannot be for everybody. Why—hang it all, fellow—this world belongs to money.

Respectfully Dedicated To Our First Aiders

Lady, if you see me lying On the ground and maybe dying, Let my gore run bright and free, Don't attempt to bandage me. Where there's life, there's hope, so, pet, Don't apply a tourniquet; Don't give for my salvation "Artificial respiration." Do not stretch my bones or joints, Do not press my pressure points. If queer symptoms you should see, Don't experiment on me. If I'm suffering from a shock, Take a walk around the block. If you must be busy, pray Help to keep the crowds away, So whatever my condition Phone at once for a physician Let me lie, I'll take my chance Waiting for the ambulance. From First Aid I beg release, Lady, let me die in peace.

The bravest battle that ever was fought; Shall I tell you where and when? On the maps of the world you will find it not; It was fought by the mothers of men.

—JOAQUIN MILLER.

Shadows are in reality, when the sun is shining, the most conspicuous thing in a landscape, next to the highest lights.

—RUSKIN.

THE MARCH OF LABOR



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THE WORKER'S BOOKSHELF

Germany Rampant—A Study in Economic Militarism, by Ernest Hambloch. Carriek & Evans, Inc., New York City, \$2.50.

The author who spent most of his life in the British consular service presents a hard-boiled attitude not only towards Hitlerism and its gangster, but we fear, towards the entire German people. The over-all evil, in the eyes of Hambloch, is a supernaturalism which permeates all German religious and philosophical ideology from Luther to Hitler. To overcome this, he proposes economic pressure to give Germany a peaceful frame of mind. With all due respect for the author's historical research, we are compelled to disagree with this tendency towards indicting a whole people and its entire past. Besides, the remedy proposed has proved a curse rather than a cure.

"The Run of the House," by Charlotte Adams, The Macmillan Co., New York City, \$2.25.

Here is a book! The men can read it to find out ways to help their wives, and the wives can read it to find out ways to help themselves. The children also will be interested, because the book includes them, too.

"The Run of the House" is just pure, old-fashioned common sense about the art of housekeeping, with a modern point of view. The book is written for the beginner and also for the experienced housekeeper who wishes to compare her methods with the more modern methods of Mrs. Adams, who is a home economist with the magazine PM.

Although the reviewer has no plans to take up housekeeping, he found the book interesting even to him. The idea of "things I never knew" and comparisons

Democracy Still Needed in U. S.

New York City. Millions of agricultural and industrial workers in the South, both Negro and white, live and work unprotected by social and labor legislation, according to a pamphlet just published by the American Labor Education Service, Inc.

The 36-page booklet, called "Southern Workers Outside the Legislative Pale," is written by a group of writers informed on the "biets covered and is edited by H. C. Nixon. It was prepared by the Southern School for Workers, which the low wages, minimum standards, the inadequacies of the unemployment compensation program; the undemocratic features of the poll tax and the problems of race differentials.

POEM OF THE WEEK In Union There Is Strength

I'll rise up in my humble state, I'll go to any length, To give voice to the adage that, "In Union there is strength." And the reason for my argument is very plain to see. For the strength that is in union is no mystery to me.

You'll see the light, my brothers, and you'll realize it is true, When you've real or fancied troubles and it goes to bat for you. When it rubs out all your headaches, and runs your trouble down, For, there's always something doing when the union "goes to town."

Time was when I was headstrong, ere I had wiser grown, And thought to win my battles, and to win them all alone, It all sounded heroic, but when all is said and done, They were as few as hen's teeth, the battles that I won.

So in these times of storm and stress, I've come to see the light, And glad to have substantial aid beside me when I fight, For what I deem should be my lot in my remodeled mind, It's comforting to know there's help beside me now I find.

Just take a tip from one who knows, in Union there is might, The only thing that you, is that your cause is right. Then, when the battle's over, and your headaches are no more, They only say, "Bud, what the heck? That's what the Union's for."

The World fair and unfair

Dr. Harry Givertz

CONGRESS—1

No loyal American who has followed the course of the present Congress can fail to feel some alarm over its rather inglorious record. During the greatest emergency which our country has faced since the Civil War many Congressmen could find nothing more important to engage their attention than a sniping attack against the Administration. Their lack of judgment was shown even when they sought to help themselves, as in the case of the measure which would have made Congressmen eligible to pensions—a possibly excellent bill, but a very ill-timed one. Instead of rising to the heights which a great Democracy has a right to expect of its Congress in time of crisis, our legislative body lost its footing somewhere in the foothills and fell into a steep ravine.

Unqualified criticism of Congress is, of course, unreasonable and even disloyal. There are many men of great ability working for us in both houses of Congress, steady men who often fail to catch the public eye like their more ridiculous and spectacular colleagues. Campaigns like the "Bundles for Congress" episode are of dubious merit. Finally criticism itself is of no use unless it is analytical and points the way to improvement. Congress is too important to be ridiculed. But it is not too important to be improved.

If Congressional prestige is in eclipse there are many causes for this, some of them inescapable. It is a commonplace that emergencies tend to shift authority from the legislative to the administrative branch of government and compel the latter to encroach upon the duties of the former. This is unavoidable. At best legislative bodies are cumbersome; they cannot act with the speed and decision of an administrative agency. Adequate to normal periods, they must surrender part of their prerogatives in an emergency when the very life of a democracy depends upon the speed and decisiveness with which it acts. If we wish the legislative branch to retain its full rights and to exercise its full responsibilities, we must strive for a world in which there are no acute emergencies like those of the war and the depression. Emergencies cripple a legislature. Too many people believe that the solution is to cripple the administration as well. In that direction lies suicide. The real solution will be found by getting rid of the emergency.

Quite apart from the crises precipitated by war and depression, there is another, normal development which makes for a concentration of power in the hands of the executive. Our society is no longer composed of atomic, independent units whose contacts are transitory and unimportant. Modern society is complex and interdependent. Each part has become dependent upon the whole, and the whole is much more than the sum of these parts. Consequently fewer problems are local, more are universal in their scope. No one has willed this. No man brooding in the White House about how he may acquire more power has asked for it. It's in the cards—cards which for a long time have recorded vast economic and technological changes. The concentration and centralization of power was first ushered in by business and technology. Government simply skipped along after. We cannot damn it any more than we can damn bigness in industry. The thing to do is to see that it operates to express, instead of to obstruct the will of the people.

There are other causes for the decline of Congress which issue from the bicameral system, from the lag which has characterized the political development of the south, from the accidental circumstance that the executive whom we now have is an especially strong and popular one, from our insistence upon indulging the luxury of mud-slinging and character defamation to the point that men of integrity and ability are often discouraged from running for Congress. We shall address ourselves to some of these next week.

Musicians Give Right For Soldiers to Use Copyrighted Material

Washington, D.C. Permission to employ artists' services and copyright materials without compensation for phonograph records and radio transcriptions shipped to soldiers overseas has been granted by the American Federation of Musicians, the American Society of Composers and Publishers, and Broadcast Music, Inc., the War Department announced.

A portable radio-phonograph library kit has been adopted to be shipped to troops in foreign stations. Each kit included 50 records, 25 half-hour transcriptions, song books, harmonicas, 100 volumes of fiction, spare batteries and tubes.

Kern County Unions Of AFL-CIO Join Hands for War Effort

Bakersfield, California. Plans for the AFL and CIO unions of Kern County to join hands in an impressive mass meeting were revealed last week by Ralph Able, secretary of the Desert Unity Council. The tentative plans call for the session to be held May 31, in Forestry Hall, Mojave.

Speakers from the two great trade union groups and the War Production Board are expected to be secured.

All unions of Kern County will be invited to send delegations, with the Desert Unity Council acting as hosts.

The council, which is made up of representatives of all unions in the great desert area, has long advocated friendly and co-operative relations between the AFL and CIO.

Abel also revealed that the initial labor-management committee to function in Kern County is now operating at the Monolith Portland Cement Company plant. This group, composed of four worker representatives and four from management, was created under the recent orders of Production Chief Donald Uelsen.

The council will also soon inaugurate a weekly column in the Journal, in order to better acquaint organized labor with the aims and purposes of the workers who earn a living in the desert.

DEMAND THE UNION LABEL

Oak Labor Gives \$50,000 for Red Cross Activities

Oakland, California. Surpassing all previous contributions, Organized Labor here has presented Red Cross with \$52,455.48 toward its war fund quota, and Oakland Chapter officials anticipate the total will surpass the \$55,000 mark when all returns are in. The large CIO International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union led other contributors with a collection of \$714.11, and the AFL International Molders and Foundry Workers gave \$4109.90.

Other high ranking contributors were the International Association of Machinists (AFL); Sheetmetal Workers' International Association (AFL); Teamsters' Union (AFL); United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners (AFL); United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers (CIO); United Automobile Workers (CIO); and Textile Workers' Union (CIO).

The AFL Steamfitters' Union not only has given to the War Fund but has bought a new station wagon and presented it to the chapter during the drive.

The whole purpose of democracy is that we may hold counsel with one another, so as not to depend upon the understanding of one man, but to depend upon the counsel of all.

—WOODROW WILSON

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BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY—Meets every Thursday, 8:00 P. M., Carpenters' Hall, H. Diaz, President; L. T. Long, Recording Secretary, Phone 4292; Dale Ward, Business Manager. Office: 701 Hawthorne St., Phone 5748, Res. Phone 5230.

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INTERNATIONAL ALLIANCE OF THEATRICAL STAGE EMPLOYEES AND MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS, LOCAL 611—Meets first Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. in Watsonville Labor Temple; Pres, Art Reina, 13 Kentucky St., Salinas; Bus. Agent, James Wilson, 80 Payton St., Santa Cruz, Phone 2737-R; Rec. Sec, Chas. Covey, 364 Walnut Ave., Santa Cruz.

LATHERS UNION NO. 463—Meets in Salinas Labor Temple second and fourth Fridays, 8 p.m. President, Roy R. Benge, Hilby St., Monterey, Phone 4820; Secretary-Treasurer, Dean S. Siefert, 1508 First St., Salinas, Phone Salinas 674.

MONTEREY PENINSULA CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL—Meets at Labor Temple, 315 Alvarado, first and third Tuesdays at 8 p.m. Pres, Henry Tothammer; Vice-Pres, Elmer Borman; Treas, A. H. Thompson; Sec, Wayne Edwards, 823 Johnson Ave., Phone 7622.

MONTEREY COUNTY FEDERATED TEACHERS NO. 457—Meets in Monterey Academy Building, 5:00 P. M. President, Wayne Edwards, 823 Johnson Ave., Monterey, Phone 7622.

MUSICIANS PROTECTIVE UNION OF MONTEREY COUNTY, Local No. 616: Meets second Monday of the month at 8:00 p.m., Salinas Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro Street. Kenneth Ahrenkeil, Secretary; Stanley Belfis, President.

MOTOR COACH EMPLOYEES, Division 192—President, Harry M. Fox Jr.; Secretary, Herman R. Bach.

PAINTERS, DECORATORS AND PAPER HANGERS 272—Meet second and fourth Tuesdays in Bartenders' Hall at 8:00 p.m. Pres, W. A. Bjornvold, Box 192, Carmel, Phone 606R; Fin. Sec-Treas, J. C. Hazelwood, Res. Rt. 1, Box 142, Monterey; Rec. Sec, Roy Hamilton, Res. 571 Pine St., Pacific Grove, Phone 5535.

PLASTERERS AND CEMENT FINISHERS NO. 337—Meet first and third Friday, Carpenters' Hall, Monterey, 8:00 P.M. President, Earl Smith, Monterey; Financial Secretary, V. J. Willoughby, 152 Carmel Ave., Pacific Grove.

PLUMBERS AND STEAM FITTERS NO. 62—Meet in Carpenters' Hall Monterey, second and fourth Friday at 8:00 P. M. President, J. Allen Wilson, 211 Ninth Street, Pacific Grove, Phone 4591; Fin. Sec, Henry Diaz, 1271 Third Street, Monterey, Phone 7386.

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SEINE AND LINE FISHERMEN'S UNION—Meets monthly on full moon, 2:00 p.m., at Knights of Pythias Hall, Calle Principal; Secretary-Treasurer, John Crivello; Business Agent, Vito Alioto, Office 233 Alvarado St., Phone 3965.

SHEET METAL WORKERS 304—Meet every third Friday, Santa Cruz, Watsonville, Salinas, Monterey. Pres, John Alsop, 308 19th St., Pacific Grove; Fin. Sec, F. F. Knowles, 228 River St., S. C. Ph. 12761.

GENERAL TEAMSTERS AND AUTO DRIVERS' UNION 287—Meets second Thursday of month at 7:30 p.m., Labor Temple, George W. Jenott, Sec-Bus. Agt, 72 N. Second St., San Jose, Ballard 6316. For a representative of Monterey County call L. R. Carey, 117 Pajaro St., Salinas Phone 7590.

TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION LOCAL 573—Meets last Friday of each month in Labor Temple. Lawrence Olsson, President; Walter Cook, Vice President; A. B. Rotter, Secretary, Rt. 1, Monterey.

UNITED SLATE, TILE & COMPOSITION ROOFERS DAMP & WATER-PROOF WORKERS ASSOCIATION 50—Meets 1st Friday in Watsonville Labor Temple, third Friday in Monterey Carpenters' Hall at 8:00 p.m. Pres, Lloyd Lovett, Salinas; Sec, Warren A. Smith, Rt. 3, Box 64, Santa Cruz.

Hirelings of Capital Trying To Use War To Smash Labor Union

"The war has presented to capital, and its blind supporters, hirelings and sympathizers, a grand opportunity to destroy in one blow all the gains of labor in a half century."

That was the opening statement in as bitter a castigation of labor-baiters as the House has heard in a month of blue moons. It was made by Congressman Usher L. Burdick (Rep., N. D.), who charged a conspiracy is afoot by capitalists to "put the laboring class down where it will live on such crumbs as capital sees fit to hand it."

The "schemers," Burdick asserted, are not concerned about our country. As a matter of fact, if they can have their way with the Nation's toilers they would be more than satisfied to see the forces of Hitler and Hirohito triumphant over our armed forces, he declared.

The Citizen-Soldier

By RUTH TAYLOR

On Army Day our President dignified the people of this nation with the title of "Citizen-Soldiers." Total war is democratic warfare, for it touches the way of life of every man, woman and child. The battlefield is not in the clash of armed men, but in our air-open spaces, in our unsleeping factories, on our farms. Total war calls for total mobilization. That means not only the mobilization of fighting power, but of working power. It challenges for the moral enlistment of each and every one of us until victory is achieved.

A citizen-soldier is not the regimented slave of a dictator, but the proud inheritor of those sturdy pioneers who banded together voluntarily for the protection of their homes and families.

A citizen-soldier is one who puts patriotism before personal desires, who will give the same selfless devotion to the work for victory as the soldier, sailor or marine gives to the fight for victory.

A citizen-soldier is one who can put aside pride to work where he can be of most service, at the task at which he is most proficient, accepting with equal willingness, a post of command or a position of service.

A citizen-soldier is one who will co-operate with his fellow workers or with those in command, putting aside personal prejudices or deep-rooted resentment, or misunderstandings, in order to work shoulder to shoulder with them for the ultimate preservation of the ideals of all.

A citizen-soldier is one who is self-controlled, who can guard both his tongue and his thoughts, who will neither give out information which would help the enemy, or pass on the planted poison of hatred toward any racial, national or religious group, by which the enemy hopes to destroy our national unity.

A citizen-soldier is one who coordinates his or her energies whether it be in workshop, on the farm or in the home, to an uncompromising, cheerful and neighborly all-out effort to make this a united nation, the United States of America.

We are all "Citizen-Soldiers." It is up to each and every one of us to live up to the honor paid us. If we fail, our court martial will be before the strictest bar of all—our own conscience. If we win, we will have earned that most important thing of all—self-respect.

Laundry Workers Give 25c a Month to Help Work of Red Cross

Los Angeles, California. A minimum contribution of 25 cents per member per month to the American Red Cross has been pledged by the Los Angeles Laundry Workers Local 52, as a result of a unanimous vote of the members.

The donation plan is part of the union's war effort program.

MORE PROFITS FOR BOSSES

"Their whole theory," the North Dakotan said, "is that with labor helpless, more profits will be divided among the 'more worthy.'" He added:

"Show me a member of Congress who now is demanding the repeal of labor laws who was not—before the war—willing to undertake the same thing! The war has put an instrument in their hands with which to strike mightier blows at labor. Newspapers rush to the aid of these destroyers."

"But ask yourselves how many daily newspapers there are in the United States that do not receive the major part of their incomes from the business corporations of this country. These papers create public opinion, and if they hammer away long enough on one subject, readers will form the opinion that the papers want formed."

"In this way there is more misinformation about labor and labor laws in the United States than on any subject before the people today."

Some members of Congress, who under ordinary circumstances would desire to deal fairly with labor as well as other groups, have been made jittery by the steady cannonading of newspapers and propagandists, Burdick asserted. Frightened out of their skins, he said, they feel they must join the Tory lynching bee to be re-elected.

"I, for one, refuse to be frightened by this hysteria," he said. "I want to know the facts. I will then act and vote on what I believe the facts warrant."

Whether they so intend, the fact is that those who are warring on labor are helping our Nation's enemies, Burdick charged.

"If this Congress should wipe off the statute books all labor legislation," he asserted, "no better news could reach Germany and Japan."

Farm Bureau Not Run in Interest Of the Farmers

Washington, D.C. Congress last week was asked to investigate charges of "racketeering" against the American Farm Bureau Federation, some of whose officials in recent months have been in the forefront of the drive to hamstring the Nation's workers.

The Southern Tenant Farmers' Union submitted to Senator Robert M. La Follette, Jr. (Prog., Wis.), scores of affidavits accusing Southern leaders of the Federation with "operating a vicious racket."

Thousands of dollars, it was asserted, have been coerced from tenant farmers and the money used to finance a campaign against workers and under-privileged farm workers.

Allied With Sweatshoppers. "The American Farm Bureau," Senator La Follette was told, "is closely allied with the employer groups who have been sponsoring a 'grass roots' campaign to discredit organized labor and destroy the confidence of the American people in the administration."

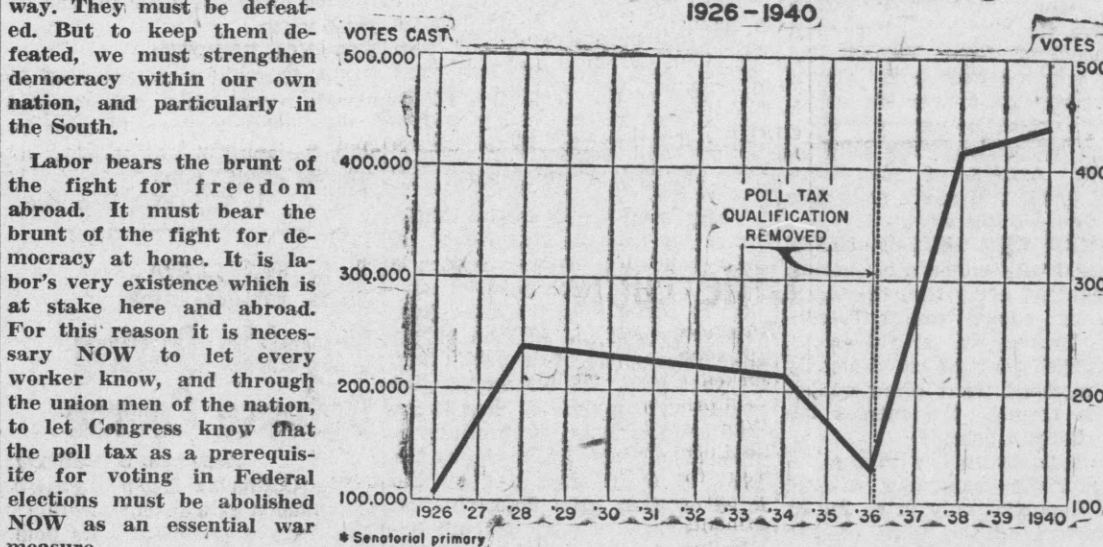
"It maintains a powerful lobby in Washington which has been seeking to secure enactment of legislation restricting labor's rights and also waging war on legislation helpful to low income farmers."

Over three-fourths of the members of the Federation in Southern States are declared to be small farmers, tenants, sharecroppers and farm laborers who have been builded into support of the organization.



KICK OUT POLL TAX! NOW IS OPPORTUNITY TO PASS THIS BILL!

What Happened When the Poll Tax Was Removed in Senator Pepper's State
VOTES CAST IN FLORIDA, 1926-1940



The hour of decision is at hand. The attack upon labor at home draws to a climax. The poll-tax Congressmen of the South are leading the way. They must be defeated. But to keep them defeated, we must strengthen democracy within our own nation, and particularly in the South.

Labor bears the brunt of the fight for freedom abroad. It must bear the brunt of the fight for democracy at home. It is labor's very existence which is at stake here and abroad. For this reason it is necessary NOW to let every worker know, and through the union men of the nation, to let Congress know that the poll tax as a prerequisite for voting in Federal elections must be abolished NOW as an essential war measure.

The Pepper-Geyer bills do just this. One hundred Congressmen have signed a petition to take the Geyer bill out of Committee. The sub-committee of the Senate Judiciary Committee doubts only the constitutionality of the bill. What is needed NOW is for the powerful united men of labor to call for the repeal of the poll tax as an essential war measure. These bills can be passed at this session of Congress.

We ask that every union local, every labor paper, every liberal group, every person who is fighting for democratic victory here and abroad: we ask every democrat to let his Congressman know and his Senator know that the poll tax blocks America's path to a democratic war and a democratic victory.

The poll tax is the fortress of Hitler's American friends who wish to destroy our national unity with their unceasing attacks on labor.

Let us take the offensive. Fight fascism with democracy. Repeal the poll-tax NOW.

—FRANCES SAYLER, Secretary Nat'l Comm. to Abolish the Poll-Tax.

Anti-Labor Crowd Is Now Collecting Big Slush Fund

Money To Be Spent Buying Daily Space To Prejudice Public Against Union Labor

New York City. A million dollar fund is being raised by America's fascist-minded industrialists to finance a war against labor, In Fact, edited by George Selde, reveals in a recent issue.

The money, according to In Fact, is sought by the National Industrial Information Committee whose address here is the same as the National Association of Manufacturers. William Lawson, director of N. I. I. C. publications, however, denies that the committee is part of the N. A. M.

N. A. M. LAYING LOW. Exposed three times by congressional committees as having engaged in bribery of Congressmen, corruption of the press, and high-pressure lobbying, the N. A. M. is lying low, says In Fact. Only 300 members of the N. A. M. are backing the N. I. I. C.

The fund, In Fact says, will be used chiefly in buying space in commercial newspapers, 75 per cent of which participated in the recent "grass roots" campaign against labor led by Hans von Kaltenborn, radio commentator. On the N. I. I. C. are America's most notorious anti-labor employers: J. H. Rand, Jr. of Remington

and vice-president respectively of the N. A. M. when the LaFollette committee found it guilty of employing an Army of spies and sabotaging the Wagner Act. TO "MOLD" PUBLIC OPINION. In appealing for contributions of from \$25 to \$50,000, the N. I. I. C. says it is going to reach editors, educators, pastors, club leaders and other opinion molders.

Weekly and special services, cartoons and special editorial material is furnished free to 8000 weekly newspapers. Network broadcasts are to be made on the radio. Motion pictures, posters, car cards and other advertising devices are to be used.

District conferences of businessmen and professors from schools and colleges are being arranged. Twenty-nine regional conferences and hundreds of local conferences between businessmen and ministers are planned. "Home industry conferences" will involve women communities of all sizes. Hundreds of N. I. I. C. and N. A. M. speakers spread anti-labor propaganda. The N. I. I. C. brags that in 1941 its speakers addressed an average of 2000 persons a day.

These are the things the N. I. I. C. is willing to admit publicly. How it will probably spend the rest of the million is indicated by a perusal of the LaFollette exposures. Professors, newspaper columnists, women's leaders and a lot of other ostensibly disinterested parties were found by the committee to be on the N. A. M.'s secret payroll.

GIGGLES AND GROANS

FOREWARNED

An inmate of the asylum approached the painter hard at work on the ceiling. "Hey, mister, have you got a good hold on that brush?"

"I think so—why?"

"Well, hang on tight—I'm gonna move this ladder."

DOUBLING UP

Macnab—How was it that you had only one of the twins photographed?

MacTavish—Well, they looked so much like each other, that I thought it was a waste of money getting pictures of them both.

TROUBLES COME IN PAIRS

It is the little things that often mar a woman's married life. Socks, for instance, are always a darned nuisance.

DANGER AHEAD!

Barber (whispering to new helper): "Here comes a man for a shave."

Helper: "Let me practice on him."

Barber: "All right, but be careful and not cut yourself."

Must Be Union Job

Officer: Soldier, hop on your motorcycle and deliver this message.

Soldier: Sorry, Sir. I just had it camouflaged and now I can't find it.

FIGURES CHANGE A "FIGGER"

"By Jove," said a stranger at a dance, "what a long and lanky girl that is over there."

"Hush!" his host whispered. "She used to be long and lanky—but nowadays she's tall and stately. She's just inherited \$100,000."

NO SYMPATHY

Suitor—Sir, your daughter has promised to become my wife.

Father—Well, don't come to me for sympathy; you might know something would happen to you, hanging 'round here five nights a week!

TIME FOR MEDICAL AID

For a considerable time Mrs. McNab had been harping on the urgent necessity for the purchase of a fur coat like her neighbor's. Then Mr. McNab became rather unwell. Whether this was a case of cause and effect is a moot point. At any rate, Mrs. McNab called in the doctor. At sight of him Mr. McNab suddenly exclaimed:

"Oh, doctor, I'm awful glad to see you. It's the wife there that's worrying me. That wumman's had fur on her tongue day and night for a month."

SOUND LOGIC

And there was the Scotchman who bought only one spur. He figured that if one side of the horse went the other was sure to follow.

THE NAVY'S SHIPBUILDING. "And how is your husband getting on with his reducing exercises?"

"You'd be surprised; that battleship he had tattooed on his chest is now only a rowboat."

HE KNEW

The minister had been impressing upon the children at the Sunday school classes the real necessity for being good and obedient at all times.

At the conclusion of his address, he asked: "Now, children, can any of you tell me what kind of boys and girls go to heaven?"

One little fellow, eager to outshine the others, shouted: "Yes, sir, dead 'uns!"

THIRD TIME WAS FATAL

Interviewer — And how many times have you been married?

Film Star—Three times; twice in America and once in earnest.

A SINGULAR PURPOSE

The school teacher sent a note to Willie's mother to say that he was positively dirty.

Willie's mother sent back a reply, which said:

"Dere teacher, I knows as Willie's no rose, but I sent him to be teached, not smelted."

WASTED COMPLIMENT

Liza—Dat no'count Mose told me last night Ah looked positively ethereal in de moonlight.

Mandy—Whut do he mean? Liza—Ah dunno, but I done slapped his face so as to be on the safe side.

WEARY MOVE

Weary Frather (appearing in parlor doorway at midnight)—My dear sir, I have no objection to your coming here and sitting up late the night with my daughter, nor to your standing on the doorstep for three hours saying 'good night. But—in consideration for the rest of the household, who wish to go to sleep—will you kindly take your elbow off the door-bell?

THE WRONG SHOP

A lady with a huge brown paper parcel came out of a chiropractor's establishment. She was furiously angry and said to the friend awaiting her: "Calls himself a chiropractor, and can't stuff a dog!"

MINIMUM OF \$18 PAY FOR WOMEN, MINORS TO START IN CALIFORNIA NEXT MONTH

San Francisco, California. Beginning June 29, California employers whose business is not in interstate commerce must pay a minimum of \$18 to women and minors for a 40-hour week.

The minimum, replacing one of \$16 for a 48-hour week which had been on the books for 19 years, is established in a new manufacturing wage order handed down by the State Industrial Welfare Commission.

The CIO and AFL, in hearings two months ago, had asked for a minimum of \$21.

ABUSE ELIMINATED. The new order requires only straight time—45 cents an hour—for overtime work. Labor had fought for time and a half. Women or minors working less than 40 hours in a week must get at least 50 cents an hour.

One new clause in the order eliminates a loophole by means of which unscrupulous employers have escaped paying even \$16 a week for years. Under the old order, workers could be charged for aprons, gloves or other working equipment, meaning that employers could make endless deductions from already low wages.

But the new order eliminates the practice entirely by requiring employers to furnish and take care of all equipment.

Another new provision allows workers to be classed as "learners" at sub-standard scales for no more than 12 weeks. The old order allowed 26 weeks.

Commission Lists Good Openings In Many Occupations

San Francisco, California.

(CFLNL)—The Twelfth United States Civil Service District Office in San Francisco announces the urgent need for qualified applicants for the following positions:

Men with 2 and 4 years' experience in the shipbuilding trades for service at Pearl Harbor. Age limits 20 to 62; average pay about \$126 per hour.

Men with 4 years' experience in the shipbuilding trades for service at Panama. Age limits 20 to 55; pay about \$148 per hour for most skills.

Appointees are furnished transportation from their homes to Pearl Harbor and Panama.

Many auto mechanics are needed at Camp Roberts and San Francisco and at other points in the West. Age 18 years or older, but there is no maximum age limit; salaries range from \$1320 a year up to \$2300.

Assistant storekeepers are in demand at once at Benicia Arsenal. Applicants must be over 18; must not be over 53; pay \$1620 a year.

Applications and complete information concerning these positions may be obtained from the Secretary of the Board of United States Civil Service Examiners at any first or second class postoffice, or you may contact the Manager of the Twelfth United States Civil Service District, Room 119, Federal Building, San Francisco. Information is also obtainable from local offices of the United States Employment Service.

Dollar Hike For Temos Announced

Oakland, California.

Teamsters and Auto Truck Drivers' Union, Local No. 70, concluded negotiations last week with the East Bay Contractors' Association and received an increase in wages of \$1 a day and one week's vacation with pay for 500 members of the union.

The new wage scale brings the daily wage to \$9.50 a day, five days, 40-hour work week, Charles W. Real, union secretary, announced today.

Signing the new contract for the association was Lynn Schloss, secretary, while Real signed for the brotherhood.

The contract remains in effect for one year.

Tuna Fishermen Win \$190 a Ton

San Pedro, California.

A contract giving tuna fishermen \$190 per ton plus war risk insurance has been signed, sealed and delivered to the Fishermen's Union by the San Pedro Cannery's Association.

Fishermen are still slightly dazed by the excellent settlement, which came after weeks of fruitless negotiations during which the canners turned down a proposal of federal conciliators, who asked that fishermen be given \$182.50 per ton. Already 16 boats have cleared San Pedro Harbor for Mexican waters and it is expected that at least 40 boats will shortly be fishing for tuna off Mexico.

As workers, we know that our very existence depends on our factory output. If we don't produce enough, our brothers and sons will be killed. That's why the American workers now have a passionate personal interest in the management of production.

Compensation For Civilian Defense Workers Asked For

Long Beach, California.

(CFLNL)—In appreciation of the need of maintaining the highest efficiency of our Civilian Defense, and concerned with protecting the people engaged in it, Secretary Vandenberg introduced the following resolution which was adopted by the Executive Council of the California State Federation of Labor. Copies of this resolution are being sent to the Governor and to the members of the Industrial Accident Commission.

RESOLUTION CALLING FOR COMPENSATION FOR CIVILIAN DEFENSE WORKERS

WHEREAS, thousands of workers are spending considerable time and without any compensation whatsoever in civilian defense work; and

WHEREAS, these citizens are motivated by patriotic concern only to protect the home front in this crucial period; and

WHEREAS, in the course of their unselfish and strenuous duties at odd hours and after their regular period of employment, they are exposed to many serious hazards; and

WHEREAS, there have already been reported a great number of accidents that have befallen these loyal citizens; and

WHEREAS, in these cases in which they have been injured, the particular individuals have had to pay their own doctor and hospital bills; and

WHEREAS, we consider this to be not only a great hardship and an injustice to this exemplary body of citizens, but that it also weakens or interferes with the efficient functioning of our civilian defense; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Executive Council of the California State Federation of Labor go on record to request the California Industrial Accident Commission to place these people under the State Compensation Act, so that they will be afforded the same treatment as others engaged in their regular lines of employment.

State Council Of Culinary Workers Endorse Gov. Olson

The California State Council of Culinary Workers, Bartenders and Hotel Service Employees, representing 40,000 members in California, has endorsed the candidacy of Governor Culbert L. Olson for reelection as Governor of the State of California.

John L. Cooper, secretary of the State Council, stated "Governor Olson has supported the progressive policies of the Roosevelt administration for the past four years and is 100 per cent behind the Total War Effort. As Governor of the State of California, Olson has been the champion of Labor and the common people, supporting old age pensions and other progressive legislation. Our State Council will muster its full strength behind Governor Olson's campaign."

Here's a Chance For Swell Job!

San Francisco, California. The 12th U. S. Civil Service District has announced that skilled workers are needed for jobs in the Panama Canal Zone. Wages range from \$1.48 an hour to \$333 a month, and all workers get at least 44 days off with pay for vacations each year.

All men must be highly skilled, and 55 years or younger. Classifications include armature winder, boatbuilder, marine boiler-maker, blacksmith, marine cooper, instrument repairman, machinist, molder, marine pipefitter, shipwright, electrician, associate marine engineer, assistant naval architect and draftsman.

Retail Clerks Pledge Help in Enforcement Of Rationing System

San Francisco, California. Members of San Francisco's Retail Clerks Local 1100 have pledged themselves to cooperate in urging the public not to overbuy or hoard, according to Brownie Lee Jones, regional director of the Consumer Division of the Office of Price Administration.

POSTAL ODDITIES

MACARTHUR, WEST VIRGINIA, IS FIRST POST OFFICE NAMED AFTER AN AMERICAN GENERAL

Reg. U. S. Pat. Office 235-566, May 5, 1936, by National Federation of Post Office Clerks

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TURKISH MESSENGERS SHOED THEIR FEET WITH SILVER SHOES (IN 14TH CENTURY)

No other mail messenger was ever so colorful or unusual as that of ancient Turkey. They prided themselves upon the fact that they could cover distances faster and farther than horses. They covered trails so tortuous their feet became toughened. Not only did they shoe themselves with horse shoes but often carried in their mouths silver bits.

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Counties—Thomas A. Small, San Mateo, California, Phone San

Matteo 11510.
BAKERS 24—Meets every third Saturday of month at 7:00 p.m. at

Salinas Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St. Sec. Harry Studendorf, 340

Salinas St.; Pres. Ed Holstein; Bus. Agent, Harry Miller, Labor

Temple, San Jose, Phone Santa Clara 322-J.

JOURNEYMEN BARBERS 827—Meets every third Monday of month

at 8:00 p.m., Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St.; Pres. Nate Freeman;

Sec. W. G. Kenyon.

BARTENDERS UNION LOCAL No. 545: Meets first and third Monday

of month, 2:00 p.m., Salinas Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro Street; W. E.

Biggerstaff, Sec. 425 N. Main St., Phone 6293. Charles Tindle, Pres.

215 Quilla St., Phone 5811. W. Y. Raymond, Bus. Agent, 117 Pajaro

St., Phone 6734.

BOTTLE'S UNION 293—Secretary, Bert Wright, 112 First Street, Air-

port Tract, Salinas.

BUTCHERS UNION 506 (Salinas Branch)—President, V. L. Poe; Fin-

ancial Secretary, A. Peterson; Recording Secretary, Don Halverson

(Earl Moorhead, San Jose, Executive Secretary, Phone Col. 2132).

CANNERY WORKERS' LOCAL 21151—President, Raymond Jones, 656

Terrace Ave., Salinas; vice president and secretary, Emily Sina,

Salinas; meetings held second and fourth Tuesday of the month

at the Salinas Labor Temple.

CARPENTERS 925—Meets every Monday night at 7:30, Carpenters'

Hall, North Main St. Pres. George Harter, 1060 Market St., Phone

3335; Vice Pres. Guy Paulson; Sec. L. H. Taft, 520 Riker St., Phone

4246; Treas. L. A. Long, 101 Drive, Rec. Sec. Roy Hossack, 124

Del Monte Ave.; Bus. Agent, L. E. Koch, 66 Myrtle Court, Phone

6868, Office 422 N. Main St., Phone 5721.

CULINARY WORKERS ALLIANCE 467—Meets second and fourth

Thursday, 2:30 p.m. at Labor Temple. Sec. and Bus. Agent, Dorothy

Johns, 117 Pajaro, Phone 6209; Pres., Jessie King.

ELECTRICAL WORKERS UNION, LOCAL No. 243—Meets first Tues-

day of each month at the Labor Temple. C. B. Phillips, Bus. Agent,

25 Harvest St., Phone 1178; C. C. Carroll, Pres.

FIVE COUNTIES LABOR LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE—Meets first

Sunday each month at place announced. Pres. F. J. Carlisle; Vice-

Pres., Wayne Edwards; Rec. Sec., Sibyl Schneller; Sec.-Treas., Roy

Hossack, Route 2, Box 144, Salinas, Phone Salinas 5460.

HOD CARRIERS AND LABORERS UNION No. 273—Meets second and

fourth Monday of each month at 8:00 p.m. at Forrester's Hall, 373

Main street. R. Fenech, President, 256 Clay street; Frank Ball,

Secretary, 114 Pine St.

LATHERS UNION No. 463—Meets in Salinas Labor Temple second and

fourth Fridays, 8 p.m. President, Roy R. Benge, Hilby St., Mon-

terey, Phone Monterey 4820; Sec.-Treas. Dean S. Seefeldt, 526 Park

St., Salinas, Phone 9223.

LINOLEUM, CARPET AND SOFT TILE WORKERS UNION, of Paint-

ers Union 1104—Meets at Labor Temple, first and third Tuesday,

7:30 p.m.; Harry Nash, Chairman.

MONTEREY COUNTY CENTRAL LABOR UNION: Meets every Fri-

day evening at 8:00 p.m. at Salinas Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St.;

W. G. Kenyon, Sec.-Treas., 127 Clay St.; D. D. McAnaney, Pres.

MUSICIANS PROTECTIVE UNION OF MONTEREY COUNTY, Local

No. 616: Meets second Monday of the month at 8:00 p.m., Salinas

Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro Street. Kenneth Ahrenkeli, Secretary,

1296 First Ave., Phone 3861, Salinas; Stanley Belfils, President.

OPERATING ENGINEERS No. 165—Meets first Thursday at Labor

MINUTES

Central Labor Council

Monterey, California.

The meeting was called to order

May 19, 1942 by Vice-President

Borman. Other officers present

were Secretary Edwards, Treasurer

Thompson, and Sgt.-at-arms Burke.

The roll call showed the presence

of eight delegates from six locals.

The minutes of the previous

meeting were read and approved as

read.

The committee regarding emer-

gency treatment reported that the

Monterey Hospital has offered the

use of its operating room and other

necessary space to the county for

emergency treatments. It was

moved, seconded and passed that

each local be urged to take up this

matter and to write to the super-

visors to that effect. (Note: Word

has subsequently been received

that arrangements have been made

for emergency treatment on the

Monterey Peninsula.)

Brother Duane was appointed as

the delegate from this council to

the meeting of the Building Trades

Council May 28, at which time

they will consider the appeal of the

U.S.O. for contributions.

The secretary's bill for \$3 was

ordered paid.

It was moved, seconded and

passed to grant the secretary's re-

quest for a leave of absence for

the Summer and that Brother

Lester act as secretary in the

meantime.

It was moved, seconded and

passed to accept the proposed

amendments to the constitution on

second reading. The amendments

will be up for final reading and

consideration at the next meeting.

It was moved, seconded and passed

that the per capita tax of 3 cents

per month shall be figured on the

first of April each year and it shall

be based on the monthly average

for the previous 12 months. (The

substance of the proposed amend-

ments places the per capita month-

ly tax at 3 cents, with a minimum

per local of \$2 and a maximum of

\$25. Representation shall be from 3

to 5 per local and voting strength

shall be from 3 to 10.)

REPORTS OF DELEGATES:

The Barbers reported that they

will have a meeting Thursday eve-

ning to consider a "minimum

price."

The Carpenters reported that

they have increased their dues to

\$2.50 per month.

The Painters reported a quiet

routine meeting.

The Butchers reported a good

meeting two weeks ago. They initiated

12 Fish Butchers and ap-

proved their proposed agreement.

A move is underway to try to get

the meat ordinance enforced.

The financial statement was read

and the meeting adjourned.

WAYNE EDWARDS, Sec.

The Monterey Cleaners and Dyers

Association has offered to clean any

flag free so it may look its best on

Decoration Day. Take advantage of

this offer and have your flag

cleaned.

3 YEARS TO WIN

The Alexander Hamilton Hotel,

biggest in Paterson, N. J., a de-

fense boom town, has signed its

first contract with Local 158, Hotel

& Restaurant Employees Intl. Alliance

(AFL). The contract, covering

68 workers, came after a 3-

year organizational drive. It provides

substantial wage increases,

1-week vacations and seniority.

10,000th of an Inch Counts



A 10,000 of an inch is invisible to the human eye, but measurements must be exact in the manufacture of torpedo machinery. At one of the government's Eastern torpedo plants, a worker measures a shaft to make certain it exactly meets specifications.

ALLIED CAUSE SAVED
BY SOVIETS, WRITES
AFL CITIZEN EDITOR

By M. S. VIDAVER

Editor, AFL American Labor Citizen, San Francisco.

As we go to press, what appears to be the long awaited Nazi "Spring" offensive in Russia has started. Consequently, we are faced with another breathless moment as the fate of the cause of the United Nations once again depends on the stamina, courage, endurance and ingenuity of the Russian people.

Those who know will tell you that it was the fighting valor of the Russian people's army that saved the allied cause during the last nightmarish Winter of the war. Before the Hitler-Russian offensive, the blitzkrieg machine of the hoodlum from Vienna had swept triumphantly and almost without resistance over the entire map of Europe. No nation or combination of nations was able to stop it. Armies of men were moved under and swept aside like so many tin soldiers.

SMASHED THE HITLER BLITZ
Flushed with unheard of success, the mightiest army that the world has ever known marched into Russia. Success was with them... the blitzkrieg blitzed on. But only for a moment. That offensive became a retreat; the retreat became almost a debacle.

We are concerned with the politics and the economics of the Soviet Republics only in so far as they reflect on the spirit of the citizens of the country. It seems that the millions in Russia are not only satisfied with their political and economic system but they are willingly dying for their country; Russia has recorded among her people the greatest examples of individual and collective heroism and sacrifice that the bloody annals of this war have so far listed.

Their political and economic system seems to be the inspiration for their mighty power to resist the invincible. That is enough for us. They are fighting successfully, suffering slightly and sacrificing willingly for their system and who are we to deny them because there are those among us who would match the dollars in their pockets against given up by the Government authorities in charge. Those of us who are American citizens of Japanese ancestry are grateful to our Government for the way this grave question of evacuation is being handled. What a difference from fascist-controlled countries!"

Yoneda is working as a foreman of a ground crew to build the camp in which 20,000 Japanese evacuees from San Francisco and other Coast cities will remain for the war's duration.

"In the camp," he writes, "we have a canteen hospital, churches, bi-weekly camp paper, newly opened nursery school, police and fire departments and post office. A baseball game is played every Sunday. Also there are movies."

Democratic nominations were held April 13 for blockleaders in the 10 populated blocks. There are about 300 persons to each block. Some blocks had secret ballots, others voted by a show of hands and others by applause.

"We are conducting a campaign on 'It's a sin to waste tin' and are saving old newspapers as well. In two weeks of operation the post office has sold over \$500 in War Bonds and Stamps."

Now is the time we need nutrition. Here is a good nutritive main dish suggested by Lynn Chambers:

EGGS A LA KING

4 tablespoons butter.

4 tablespoons flour.

2 cups hot milk.

1 teaspoon salt.

Pepper to taste.

1/2 tablespoon chopped onion.

1 tablespoon chopped pimiento.

6 hard-boiled eggs.

1/2 cup sliced, cooked mushrooms.

Melt the butter, add flour and stir until smooth. Combine with hot milk. Let cook eight minutes over hot water, using double boiler, then stir with egg beater.

Add onion, green pepper, pimiento, sliced hard eggs and mushrooms. Let cook another five minutes. Serve hot, preferably on buttered toast.

And June Davis suggests this tasty dish, known as

TEXAS HASH

2 large onions, sliced.

2 green peppers cut fine.

3 Tablespoons fat.

1 lb. hamburger.

2 C. canned tomatoes.

1/2 C. uncooked rice.

1 tsp. chili powder.

2 tsp. salt.

1/4 tsp. pepper.

Fry onions and green pepper slowly in fat until onions are yellow. Add hamburger and fry until mixture falls apart. All tomatoes, rice, and seasonings and mix. Put in large casserole, cover, and bake in moderate oven, 375 degrees, for 45 minutes, or until done. May also be cooked over low heat on top of range. Serves 8.

Variations: Instead of 1/2 C. uncooked rice, use 1 C. uncooked spaghetti, macaroni, or noodles.

Substitute 1 C. chopped celery stalks and leaves for green pepper. Use 1 tsp. paprika instead of chili powder.

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MINUTES

Bldg. Trades Council

Monterey, California.

Meeting of Building and Construction Trades Council of Monterey County called to order by

Past President William Dickerson at 8:15 p.m. Roll was called of

delegates and absentees noted. The minutes of the previous meeting

were read and approved.

CREDENTIALS:

None.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Received a copy of the minutes from the B. & C. T. C. of Santa Clara County.

Received a copy of the Weekly News Letter from the State Federation of Labor.

Received a copy of the wage scale for the Sacramento-Yolo County B. & C. T. C.

Received a copy of a letter from the State B. & C. T. C. of California explaining the State Insurance Law and the incorporation of local unions which pay benefits to their members.

Received a letter from the State Federation of Labor giving their stand on the California Banking Laws whereby the banks collect a fee from each depositor who's account amounts to less than \$500 and a 4 cent tax for each ledger entry.

Received a news letter from the California Housing and Planning Association.

BUSINESS MANAGERS REPORT

Brother D. L. Ward states that he has most of his time chasing chislers of which there seems to be plenty. Aside from them, there are a few new buildings at the Presidio and more at Fort Ord. The other work at Ord has the bids in and opened, but the contract has not been let as yet. The report was accepted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

Brother Long reported for the committee appointed to visit the Salinas local unions.

Brother Earl explained the troubles of keeping the chislers of his craft in line.

Brother Everly states that there is some work at Camp Hunter Leggett which needs the attention of the B. & C. T. C.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

GOOD OF THE COUNCIL:

Some discussion on the best way to look after the labor for the defense work.

FINANCE REPORT:

The financial secretary read his weekly report which was accepted.

No further business to come before the council. The meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

L. T. LONG